Panel Discussion on “Gender Equality in Education: A Much Needed Holistic Approach”

Friday 13 March 2015, 13:15 - 14:30 hrs.,
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Education and training of women and girls is one of twelve critical areas of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action. Education is a human right and an essential tool for achieving the goals of equality and development. Gender equality in education benefits both girls and boys and thus ultimately contributes to more equal relationship between women and men.

Gender equality in education encompasses a host of issues. Textbooks and curriculum, while extremely important, do not reflect the totality of gender discrimination in schools. Many other forms of discrimination in schools also need to be critically examined. This panel will reflect diverse dimensions of gender inequality experience that exist in all levels of education in various countries with a view of identifying measures to foster gender equality in education.

Representatives of Member States, Observers, UN agencies and accredited NGOs are cordially invited.
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Programme:

Welcoming Remarks: H.E. Mr. Virachai Plasai, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Thailand to the United Nations

Opening Remarks/Moderator: H.E. Dr. Yongyuth Yuthavong, Deputy Prime Minister of Thailand

Panelists
• Professor Rae Lesser Blumberg, Professor of Sociology, University of Virginia
• Mr. Jan Weetjens, Practice Manager, World Bank Social Development program, World Bank
• Associate Professor Dr. Juree Vichit-Vadakan, Thailand’s Representative to CSW; and Chairperson of Thailand’s National Committee on the Promotion and Development of the Status of Women

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